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SUBJ: AMBASSADORIAL 35MM FEATURE FILM PROGRAM

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1. SINCE RECEIVING AND SCREENING "CONRACK" THIS WEEK, WE HAVE LEARNED THAT FILM WILL BE PREMIERED HERE FOR PUBLIC BY ROMANIA FILM ON JANUARY 20. ACCORDINGLY, WE DO NOT PLAN TO SHOW FILM HERE UNDER OUR AUSPICES SINCE PURPOSE OF THE AMBASSADORIAL FEATURE FILM PROGRAM IS TO PRESENT FILMS NOT AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC VIEWING. FYI: IN SCREENING "CONRACK" WE FOUND MENTION OF "COMMUNIST" (TO WHICH WE WERE ALERTED BY REFTEL) NO PROBLEM FOR LOCAL PROGRAMMING OF FILM.

2. REFTEL OFFERS "JEREMY" OR "NEW LAND" AS ALTERNATE FILM FOR OUR LATE JANUARY SHOWING UNDER THIS PROGRAM. "NEW LAND" PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED FOR MAY FOLLOWING "THE IMMIGRANTS" IN APRIL AND THESE PROVIDE LOGICAL BACK-TO-BACK PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY; WE PREFER TO STICK TO THAT SCHEDULE. ADVISE SOONEST WHETHER "JEREMY" CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE TO US DURING PERIOD JANUARY 15-30. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE DESCRIPTION OF "JEREMY" BY CHARLOTTE ASTOR ALONG LINES OF THOSE PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED.

3. ALSO ADVISE IF ANY NEW INFORMATION ON EVENTUAL AVAILABILITY OF "THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT" AND WHETHER YOU CAN PROVIDE US WITH FEATURE FILMS IN THIS SERIES FOR SECOND HALF OF FEBRUARY AND MARCH FOR WHICH NO FILMS ARE SCHEDULED FOR US
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UNDER THIS PRIORITY PROGRAM.

4. ON RELATED SUBJECT, POST REQUESTED IN BUCHAREST 5833 LOAN OF "SOUNDER". WE ARE AWARE THAT REQUEST BEING HANDLED UNDER SEPARATE AGENCY PROGRAM, I.E., CLASSIC FILM SERIES. HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF FACT "SOUNDER" IS RELATIVELY RECENT FILM AND PROVIDES INTERESTING FOLLOW-UP TO PREVIOUSLY SHOWN "WHERE THE LILIES BLOOM", WE CAN CONSIDER SHOWING "SOUNDER" IN OUR LATE JANUARY PROGRAM IN AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE AND AMERICAN LIBRARY, ALTHOUGH IT IS 16MM COPY. WOULD APPRECIATE AGENCY RESPONSE TO THIS PROPOSAL WHICH COMBINES TWO DIFFERENT BUT RELATED AGENCY PROGRAMS AT THIS END.

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